

[15th December 1959]

III.—GOVERNMENT BILL.

THE MADRAS GENERAL SALES TAX (TURNOVER AND ASSESSMENT) RULES
VALIDATION AND GENERAL SALES TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1959
(L.A. BILL NO. 24 OF 1959)—*cont.*

MR. SPEAKER: We shall now proceed with the General Sales Tax (Turnover and Assessment) Rules Validation and General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1959. I believe yesterday clause 2 was over. We now take up clause 3.

Clause 3 was put and carried.

Clause 4.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: We are withdrawing this clause, Sir.

MR. SPEAKER: I am sorry that, according to the rules, the Government have no option or right to give notice of withdrawal of a clause.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: Then we shall vote it out, Sir.

MR. SPEAKER: I was about to suggest that that was the only way out.

The clause was put and lost.

Clause 1.

MR. SPEAKER: The motion is—

In clause I do stand part of the Bill.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: Sir, I move—

In clause 1, *omit* the words and brackets " and General Sales Tax (Amendment) ".

MR. SPEAKER: The question is—

In clause 1, *omit* the words and brackets " and General Sales Tax (Amendment) ".

The amendment was put and carried.

The clause, as amended, was put and carried.

THE LONG TITLE AND THE PREAMBLE.

MR. SPEAKER: The motion is—

That the Long Title and the Preamble do stand part of the Bill.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: Sir, I move—

In the Long Title, *omit* the words and figures " and to amend the Madras General Sales Tax Act, 1959 ".

In the Preamble, *omit* the words, figures and brackets " and to amend the Madras General Sales Tax Act, 1959 (Madras Act I of 1959), for the purposes hereinafter appearing ".

MR. SPEAKER: The question is—

In the Long Title, *omit* the words and figures " and to amend the Madras General Sales Tax Act, 1959 ".

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[Mr. Speaker]

In the Preamble, omit the words, figures and brackets and to amend the Madras General Sales Tax Act, 1959 (Madras Act 1 of 1959), for the purposes hereinafter appearing ”.

The amendments were put and carried.

The Long Title and the Preamble, as amended, were put and carried.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Sir, I move—

That the Madras General Sales Tax (Turnover and Assessment) Rules Validation and General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1959 (L.A. Bill No. 24 of 1959), as amended, be passed.

MR. SPEAKER : The question is—

That the Madras General Sales Tax (Turnover and Assessment) Rules Validation and General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1959 (L.A. Bill No. 24 of 1959), as amended, be passed.

The motion was put and carried and the Bill, as amended, was passed.

IV.—NON OFFICIAL BUSINESS

A. BILLS.

(1) THE MADRAS PRESERVATION OF PARKS, PLAY-FIELDS AND OPEN SPACES BILL, 1958 (L.C. BILL NO. 3 OF 1958).

* SRI V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIYAR : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I move—

That the Madras Preservation of Parks, Play-fields, and Open Spaces Bill, 1958 (L.C. Bill No. 3 of 1958), as passed by the Legislative Council, be taken into consideration.

SRI K. RAMACHANDRAN : I second the motion, Sir.

(Deputy Speaker in the Chair.)

* SRI V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIYAR : Sir, this is an important Bill introduced in the Council by the learned Leader of the Opposition Dr. A. Lakshmanaswami Mudaliar. This Bill was considered very deeply and passed by the Council with the co-operation of all the parties including the members on the treasury bench. It has now fallen to my lot to move this Bill in this House. This is a very important Bill, Sir, and it is a good thing that Dr. Lakshmanaswami Mudaliar came forward to safeguard the parks, play-fields, and open spaces against encroachments—encroachments especially on the open spaces in the metropolitan areas. This Bill has been there before the Legislature for nearly three years, and a select committee of all the parties of both the Houses went through the Bill in detail and put forward their proposals. The Bill is now placed before the Assembly for its acceptance. Nobody can dispute the fact that for preserving the health of the nation and for giving the elementary amenities to adults and children for physical exercise, it is absolutely indispensable to maintain the parks, play-fields, and open spaces intact.